last federal census making stylistic changes; providing for a date after which the alteration in the ratio is effective; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

Section 9-211

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

9-211.

- (a) [In] THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN Frederick County.
- (B) (1) [there] THERE may not be issued more than one Class B on-sale beer license, nor more than one Class B on-sale beer and light wine license, for each unit of [1,000] 4,000 people, or major fraction, in any one election district.
- (2) There may not be issued more than one Class A off-sale beer, wine and liquor license, one Class A off-sale beer license, nor more than one Class A off-sale beer and light wine license, for each unit of [2,000] 4,000 people, in any one election district. For the purposes of this section, the population of each election district shall be as determined by the last federal census.
- [(b)](C) In any election district in which the number of any class of licenses issued as of June 1, 1949, exceeds the quota specified hereinabove, no new licenses of such class shall be issued unless and until the number of licenses of any such class shall have been so reduced by revocation or surrender as to create a vacancy under the particular quota specified hereinabove. For the purposes of this section, a transfer or renewal of an existing license shall in no way be construed to be a new license.
- [(c)](D) [In Frederick County no] A Class A alcoholic beverage license may NOT be granted, transferred, issued to, or for use in conjunction with, or upon the premises of, or upon premises having any drug or pharmaceutical, or other business establishment of the type commonly known as chain stores, supermarkets, franchised establishments, or discount houses. "Franchised establishment" means premises operated under an agreement permitting the sale of a product or service under a name or mark under which the franchisee undertakes to conduct a business or sell a product or service in accordance with the methods and procedures prescribed by the franchisor in the agreement and the franchisor undertakes to assist the franchisee through advertising, promotion, or other services.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the required alteration in the ratio of the unit of population in each election district to the number of licenses shall take effect on January 1, 2002 October 1, 1999.